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For the BUILDING of a  
TOWN  
ON  
Ambo-Point.

And for the  
Disposition of Lands in that PROVINCE.

AND ALSO

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As much as Ambo-Point is a Sweet, Wholesome and delightful Place, proper for Trade, by reason of its Commodious Situation upon a safe Harbour; being likewise accommodated with a Navigable River, and fresh Water; and hath by many Persons of the greatest Experience and best Judgment, been approved

proved for the goodnes of the Air, Soyl, and Scitua-  
tion.

**We** the Proprietors propose, by the help of Almighty God, with all convenient speed, to build a Convenient Town for Merchandize, Trade and Fishery on Ambo-  
point.

*And because Persons, that hath a desire to Plant there,  
may not be disappointed for want of Proposals, We the  
Proprietors offer these following :*

*First,* We intend to divide Fifteen Hundred Acres of Land upon Ambo-point into One hundred and fifty Lots, which Lots shall consist of Ten Acres the Lot. One hundred of the Lots we are willing to sell here, and fifty we reserve for such as are in America, and have long desired to settle there.

*Secondly,* The price of each Lot will be Fifteen pounds Sterling, to such who Purchase before the 25 of December, 1682. And to such who Purchase afterwards, before the 25 of December, 1683. Twenty pounds Sterling.

*Thirdly,* Every Lot, is to be as equally divided as the goodnes of the Place doth require, and the Scituation can admit.

*Fourthly,* The most Convenient Spot of Ground for a Town, shall be divided in One hundred and fifty Equal Shares, and Set out into Streets, according to Rules of Art; and no Person shall be preferred before another in Choice, whether Purchaser or Proprietor.

*Fifthly,* We reserve Four Acres for a Market-place, Town-house, &c. and three Acres for Publicke Whar-  
fage.

*Sixthly,* Each Purchaser is obliged to Build a Dwel-  
ling-house in the Place designed for the Town, and to  
Clear Three Acres of Up-land in three Years, or else the  
Proprietors to be Re-instated in such Lots wherein default  
is made, repaying the Purchase Money.

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*Seventhly*, We the **Proprietors** do within a Year hope, by God's Assistance, to Build for each of us one **House** upon **Annapoint**, which we intend shall stand in an Orderly manner, according to the best and most Convenient **Model**.

*And in pursuance of the Design of the Propositions abovesaid.*

*Eighthly*, **A**Nd for the Encouragement of *Carpenters, Joiners, Brick and Tyle-makers, Brick-layers, Masons, Sawyers, and Labourers* of all sorts, who are willing to go and employ themselves and Servants in helping to Clear Ground, and Build Houses upon the General Account of and for the **Proprietors**.

The said **Proprietors** will engage to find them Work, and Currant Pay for the same in Money or Clothes, and Provision, of which there is Plenty (as *Beef, Pork, Corn, &c.*) according to the Market-price at **New-York**, during the space of one Year, at least, next after the 25 of *December*, 1682. in which time (through God's blessing and their Industry) they may have got wherewith to buy *Cows, Horses, Hogs*, and other *Goods* to Stock that **Land** which (they) in the mean time may take up according to the Concessions. Neither shall such Persons pay Rent for their said **Land**, so long as they are Employed in the **Proprietors** Work; and their *Wages* shall at all times be so much as other such **Artificers** and **Labourers** in the said **Province** usually have; nor shall they be obliged to *Work* for the **Proprietors** longer than they find encouragement so to do.

*Ninthly*, And for the more ready and certain Employing those *Work-men* and *Labourers*, that shall Transport themselves to **East-Jersey**. This is to let all *Labourers* and *Persons*, that shall Transport themselves, **Know**, They must upon

upon their Arrival upon that Place, repair to the Register of the abovesaid Province, and Enter themselves according to their respective Qualities and Designs; and thereupon they shall be entertained into the Service and Pay of the Proprietors.

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FOR  
DISPOSITION  
OF  
LAND  
IN  
East-Jersey.

THE Governour of East-Jersey, by and with the Advice of his Council, is to direct, That all Lands to be Set and laid out for Counties, Tribes, Cities, or Parishes, according to the General Concessions of the said Province, be bounded and Set out in manner following, Viz. That all such Lands be divided into Seven equal Lots or Parts; one of which seven Parts, is to be first Set out by Lot for the use of the Proprietors; and the other Six Parts to be taken up according to the following Concessions.

First, That the Planting of the said Province may be the more effectually promoted, We do hereby grant unto all Persons who shall Transport themselves, their Wives or Children, into East-Jersey, and settle there according to the following Concessions, by the Twenty fifth



fifth of December, 1684. Twenty five Acres of **Land** for each **Head**, whether Wife, Child or Servant shall be bound to serve the Term of three Years, at the least, within the said **Province**; and for every such Master of a Family fifty Acres. The said Persons so **Imported** are to be **Registered** in the **Secretaries Book of Entries**, to be kept for that Purpose; and the **Importer** to pay to the **Secretary** for Fees of attending that *Service* and *Entering* them 12 *s.* each Head. And each Servant, Male or Female, who shall be so **Imported** and **Registered** by the Twenty fifth of December, 1684. shall at the expiration of their Time, have liberty to take up the quantity of Thirty Acres for their own uses. And all the aforesaid **Importers**, and Persons **Imported**, who are hereby allowed to take up **Land**, shall have and enjoy the same under the Terms and Concessions following:

*Secondly*, For as much as this **Province** is already considerably *Peopled* and *Improved* (there being seven **Towns** at least already settled upon it by **English People**) and that no Person is constrain'd by our **Concessions**, to take up and pay for **Land** which is *Barren* and unprofitable; nor can it be reasonably supposed, that *people* should in this **Province** be now exposed to the like *hazards* and *difficulties* that others must look to meet with in those *Plantations* that are less *Inhabited* and more remote, and for **Situation** by *Sea* and *Land*, not so commodiously placed for **Trade**; Therefore we think it very reasonable and moderate, that all and every Person and Persons shall have his and their respective quantities of **Land**, set out at Two pence an Acre yearly Rent, to be paid into our **Receivers Office**, either in Money *Sterling*, or in such **Commodities** as the Growth or Trade of the **Province** affords at the Merchants price there. But who-soever is willing to buy off his yearly Rent, and become a **Free holder**, may so do, paying after the rate of Twelve years **Purchase**, which comes to 50 *s.* for a Lot of Twenty five Acres; and so paying after the same rate for a greater or lesser quantity.

*Thirdly*,

Thirdly, And for as much as it will be most commodious for Planters to live together, whereby they may be a meet helpto each other. It is Ordered that all the Purchasers and Takers up of Land, shall sit down by some Village or Township, already laid out or to be laid out hereafter in the said Province, and having chosen the Village or Township which shall be most convenient and profitable for their Business, the Surveyor General shall set forth to the said Persons such quantity of Lands, to them Granted, out of the aforesaid Six Parts which are not then taken up, they paying to the said Surveyor General, the usual rate of Surveying in the said Province. And if any Person going or sending over, is willing to have a greater Parcel of Land than 25 Acres, he may Purchase, but not more than 1000 Acres, he paying down, at the Sealing of his Grant, for the same after the rate of Ten pounds by the hundred Acres; and so more or less for a greater or lesser quantity.

4. And if any Person is willing to buy Land, and yet for the present is not disposed to Plant there, he may so do, paying down here for his Grant to the Proprietors, according to the rate aforesaid.

Provided, That all those Persons, who by these Concessions, shall take up Land be enjoy'd to Build one Dwelling-house on some part of their Land, within the space of seven Years next after the 25. of December, 1682. And in case of Default, one half of their Land to return back to the Proprietors.

**FINIS.**



